COUNTRY Yugoslavia NO. OF PAGES 7 Submarine Base Under Construction SUBJECT in Kardeljevo (Ploce) 25X1A NO. OF ENCLS. PLACE **ACQUIRED** SUPPLEMENT TO 25X1X DATE OF REPORT NO. DO NOT CIRCULATE INFO.

- 1. On the northern side of the port of Kardeljevo (Ploce), there is an area enclosed by barbed wire and guarded by sentinels. Access to the area is most strictly forbidden. A submarine base, larger in proportion than the one in Divulje near Split, is being hastily constructed. The submarine base is to be provided with two underground halls equipped with all the necessary mechanical, blacksmith and shipbuilding shops. These halls, shaped like tunnels, are being excavated in the rock itself. The submarine entrance is located under water, so that nothing can be seen from the surface. According to plan, both halls must be completed by the end of April 1952.
- 2. The floors of the halls are horizontal for two thirds of their length, and situated above sea level; the remaining third is inclined, extending into the sea. Offices, shops, central liaison, ventilation devices, an elevator, crew and personnel rooms are all located on the horizontal floor area. The inclined part of the flooring will serve for the landing of submarines, after they penetrate through the underwater entrance.
- 3. One of the halls will be capable of berthing 5 submarines, and the other 3 submarines. The dimensions of the smaller hall are: length 38 meters; width 15 meters; height, on the side of the submarine entrance measured during the flux and above sea level, 5 meters; 9 meters in height on the opposite side where shops, elevator, et cetera, are located.
- 4. On the surface of the ground from where excavations are conducted, a building has been erected; the stairs and the elevator of this building descend into the hall. The building is guarded by sentinels. The lift is already installed and now serves for hoisting excavated material which is transported to a nearby sea basin also under construction.

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